Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 16 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 17 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 15 Sep 2021 at 09:42 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for largely fair Thursday, also for occasionally unsettled from Friday, but detail of the worst of the later conditions not possible at this stage.

Headline for Thursday 16 Sep 2021: Largely dry and sunny.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 16 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
30%	20%	10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 16 Sep 2021

Weather: Occasional showers at first overnight, largely confined north of the Black Isle, these generally dying away towards dawn as clear spells develop. A fair day with the vast majority avoiding the few isolated showers, while seeing plenty of bright and sunny spells. Cloud gradually increasing from the west during the evening, with showery rain spreading erratically from the west towards midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Generally 95% plus, but 60% in the far west through to early morning and again late evening.

Visibility: Good or very good, briefly moderate or poor in showers, very poor in hill fog with bases scattered to broken at times to 500m, chiefly in the far west early and late in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	7/9 W	8/10 W	10/12 SW	13/17 SW	17/22 S	16/21 S	23/28 S	29/34 SE	33/39 SE
900	6/8 W	8/10 W	9/11 SW	13/17 SW	16/22 S	15/20 S	21/26 S	25/30 SE	28/35 SE
600	5/6 W	6/8 SW	6/8 SW	10/14 S	13/18 S	12/17 S	14/20 S	16/21 SE	18/25 SE
300	2/6 W	2/6 W	2/6 SW	5/12 S	7/16 S	6/15 S	3/15 S	4/16 SE	6/21 SE
Glen	2/4 W	1/3 SW	2/3 W	6/10 S	8/14 S	7/13 S	6/13 SE	6/16 SE	11/23 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	7/5	7/4	6/3	6/3	7/3	9/5	9/4	8/4	8/3
900	8/6	7/5	7/4	7/4	8/5	10/6	9/6	9/5	9/4
600	10/9	9/8	9/7	9/7	11/8	12/10	12/9	11/8	11/8
300	11/11	11/11	11/10	12/11	14/13	15/14	14/14	13/13	13/12
Glen	13/13	13/13	12/13	14/13	16/15	17/16	16/16	16/15	16/14
Freezing Level*	2100m	2100m	2100m	2400m	2400m	2500m	2700m	3100m	3200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Turning breezy at height later.

Forecast for Friday 17 Sep 2021
Weather: Mainly cloudy with showers, these merging to longer spells of rain at times across the far western ranges. Best of the limited brighter spells in the east where the bulk of the showers will be confined to the afternoon and evening.

Maximum wind: South to southeast initially mean 35mph with gusts reaching 50mph across most exposed ridges and summits, gradually easing through the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Ranging from 35% in far west and 90% in east.

Visibility: Good occasionally moderate or poor in rain or showers, very poor in hill fog with bases scattered to broken at 500m, frequently in far west, only occasionally in the east.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 Celsius increasing 19 Celsius for a time during the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 9 Celsius
Freezing level: Well above all summits

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